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The Daily Press.

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With the abrogation one by one of the constitutional reforms in China, one is inevitably tempted to speculate how far the process of reversal is to go. Parliament and the Provincial Assemblies have gone, the President worships at the Altar of Heaven with all the trappings and ceremonial of the Imperial era, and the reestablishment of some of the features of the old machine of Government has been mooted. There have not been wanting prophets to foretell the assumption by YUAN SHIH-KAI of the Imperial dignity, while, at the other end of the scale, it is possible to imagine a recrudescence of the queue—the boom in foreign clothing that followed the establishment of the Republic is certainly subsiding. We do not, however, anticipate the realization of either of the two last-named events. Popular opinion has always been opposed to the queue if only on grounds of comfort and convenience, and now that it is possible to dispense with it, its final extinction must be only a question of time, even in the conservative North; while, as to the other point, names are always more potent than realities in Chinese politics, and so long as YUAN SHIH-KAI stops short of taking the title of Emperor, there seem to be no lengths of autocratic rule that are forbidden to him. This progressive reversal of so many of the innovations that have, during the last five years, been thrust in bewildering succession on an uncomprehending China is no doubt necessary and may eventually restore matters

to their normal equilibrium, though most people will probably think the retrogressive movement has been pushed too far in some particular respect and that some institution has been abolished that might with advantage have been spared. For ourselves, we would like to enter a plea in favour of the District or Town Councils that formed part of the late EMPRESS DOWAGER's scheme of preparation for Parliamentary institutions. Parliamentary institutions, it is true, are at a discount in China at present, but it is worthy of note that they have not been categorically and absolutely abolished—the action is that the Parliament is "temporarily suspended," and the Chinese solicitude for names and appearances was manifested when, a short time ago, a recommendation for the restoration of the Consulate was made and the Government decided that the step was unnecessary, "as the Parliament was deemed to be sufficient for the purpose of controlling the officials." There are unfortunately no means of discerning the inmost thoughts and intents of the Emperor's heart, but he continues to render lip-service to the ideal of Parliamentary Government, and if he has any real desire that his country should in course of time attain to that stage of political development of which parliamentary institutions are the natural and, so to speak, the automatic outcome, there could be no better instrument for the purpose than the Town Councils. The Parliament and the Provincial Assemblies have had to go for two reasons—they stood so high in the political scale that they conceived large ideas of their own importance and were in any case influential enough to hamper the Executive, and at the same time the tasks they were supposed to undertake were of such magnitude that there was small chance of their dealing with them successfully or with the necessary breadth of outlook. Neither of these arguments could be urged against the Town Councils. They would be too insignificant and too limited in their activity to be a thorn in the side of the Central Government, and a narrow parochial outlook would not be a very serious drawback to a body that dealt with little more than parochial matters. As a training ground for government on more democratic lines these local bodies dealing with a safe selection of local affairs should serve a valuable end, and they have this further recommendation—they could easily be adapted to the present order of government, and they involve only a slight extension of a principle that has existed in China for centuries. Students of the works of Sir ROBERT DOUGLAS and Dr. ARTHUR SMITH will recall the descriptions given by these authors of the way in which affairs have in the past been managed in the village communities that are free from resident officials. The informal patriarchal administration by the village headman with the assistance of the village elders has stood the test of centuries and has proved quite adequate to the needs of the rural districts. It is only a slight development of the principle to extend the system to the towns, and here again the *ti-pao*, or headman of the ward, is an ancient institution embodying the same idea. Of course, if it is held that anything savouring of democratic methods is a danger to the Republic, and the Central Government has decided that anything that might serve as a reminder of the promises of a constitutional system must be abolished, there is nothing more to be said; but if there is any substratum of reality in the lip-service paid to the constitutional ideal, the continuance of some form of municipal self-government—by either an elected or more probably, a nominated council—should prove both harmless and beneficial.

The French mail of the 10th March was delivered in London on the 6th April.

Wireless telegraph apparatus has been installed on the premises of the General Post Office, Dairen.

It appears from the Civil Service estimates for the year 1915 that a superannuation allowance of £1,700 has been granted to the Right Hon. Sir C. M. Macdonald, G.C.M.G.

The death is announced at Tientsin of Mr. John Hirsbrunner. He was one of the very old China hands, having spent 50 years in China, 20 being spent in Tientsin. Mr. Hirsbrunner reached the ripe age of 77 years and had only been ailing for 15 days.

Three Mongolian tigers were recently shipped at Tientsin by the H. A. L. *Str. Sikang* for Shanghai, where they will be transhipped to another steamer and sent to Hamburg. They are fine specimens of the species, says a Tientsin paper, and were purchased by a Russian firm from the native hunters.

On Saturday, the 4th instant, the laying of the foundation stone of the new headquarters of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps was performed with imposing ceremony. The stone was laid by Mrs. Bray, wife of the Lieut. Colonel commanding the Corps in the presence of a very large gathering. This is the jubilee year of the Corps.

Captain Geo. Payne, Marine Superintendent of the Indo-China S. N. Co. at Shanghai, was presented on Saturday, the 4th inst., with a gold watch and chain and a gold pencil case, suitably inscribed, together with an illuminated address, by the Captains, officers and pilots of the Company's Northern fleet. Captain Payne is leaving for home on retirement to-morrow.

The meteorological observations carried out at the Royal Observatory during March show that the mean temperature for the month was 57.2 degrees, the mean of the daily maxima, 71.7 degrees, and the mean of the daily minima, 68.5 degrees, which were the highest on record except in the year 1902, when the corresponding values were 68.1 degrees, 72.0 degrees, and 64.6 degrees. The absolute maximum temperature, 81.0 degrees, was the highest on record except in 1897, 82.1 degrees; whereas the absolute minimum, 49.5 degrees, was among the lowest temperatures on record, lower temperatures having been recorded on only nine occasions. Sunshine, mean, was 133.4, against 84.1 in the same month of the past 30 years. Rain mean totalled 1.190 as compared with 2.987.

STAINER'S "CRUCIFIXION" AT THE CATHEDRAL.

The choir of St. John's Cathedral, augmented by a large number of other vocalists, which brought the strength up to 80 voices, gave a most excellent rendition of Stainer's "Crucifixion" at the Cathedral on Friday night. The congregation, which included His Excellency the Governor and Sir William and Lady Rees Davies, was very large, all available seats being filled some time before the commencement. In practically every particular, the performance excelled the choir's rendering of "The Messiah" last Good Friday. The solos, all entrusted to male voices, were without exception very well sung, those taking the individual parts being Messrs. W. R. Cawsey, A. J. England, R. T. Peyton-Griffin, R. Brown, C. R. Crispin, and A. G. MacDonald. The work of the chorus was also of a high standard, reflecting great credit on Mr. J. W. White, the acting-organist, who is to be congratulated on the successful outcome of his efforts.

GAMBLING IN G.O.C.'S STABLES.

TEN INDIANS BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE.

Ten Indians were brought before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Magistracy on Saturday on charges of trespassing and gambling in the stables of H.E. Major-General F. H. Kelly, on the 6th inst. Gunner Giles, R.G.A., military picket, deposed that on entering the stables he found the defendants seated in a ring playing cards with money beside them. This was about mid-day. There was £2.20 on the floor near the cards. When he entered there was a stampede. The defendants had no permission to play there.

One of the defendants said he was a servant to Major McHardy and that he had to go there to attend to his horse.

His Worship said he would remand him. The remainder were each fined \$5, or in default fourteen days for trespassing. The charge of gambling was dismissed as his Worship said there could be no conviction without a warrant for gambling.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS.

The Government Gazette states that H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Paul M. Hodgson to act as Crown Solicitor, with effect from 28th March.

It is also notified that His Excellency the Governor, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section 5 of the Full Court Ordinance, 1912, has been pleased to appoint Francis Arthur Hazeland, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be a Judge of the Full Court for the purpose of the proceedings now pending in Original Jurisdiction Action No. 103 of 1912, between Ho Chiu Lam, appellant, and Ho San Lam, respondent.

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

BELLIUS'S SHIELD.

A triangular match took place at Kings Park yesterday, with the following result:—

	Reserve.	Volunteer.	Naval.
200 Yards	233	211	239
500 Yards	247	232	252
600 Yards	231	218	225

Gross total 711 661 725.

Both the Reserves and the Naval Yard beat the Volunteers and were therefore handicapped 4 per cent.

A feature of interest was the shooting of McLennan, of the Reserves, who, at 600 yards, put on a highest possible.

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

DEATH OF THE DOWAGER EMPRESS OF JAPAN.

Tokyo, April 9th.

The Capital is surprised to-day by the grave reports published regarding the Empress Dowager, following upon encouraging bulletins.

Early this morning the Emperor and Empress left for Numadzu, where the Dowager-Empress was residing, and they returned at noon.

Tokyo, April 10th.

It is announced that the Empress Dowager arrived at Tokyo at midnight.

All amusement is prohibited. The Taiho Exhibition will be closed and the coronation will be postponed.

[The correct interpretation of the first message evidently is that the Empress Dowager had died at Numadzu on the 9th inst. It is contrary to etiquette in Japan to admit the death of a Royal personage, especially when the death occurs outside the Capital. Hence the second telegram announces that the Empress Dowager has "arrived" in Tokyo, when what actually occurred was that the body was brought into Tokyo at midnight. The official announcement would then follow.]

The late Empress Dowager was born May 28th, 1850. She was the third daughter of Ichijo Tadaka, a noble of the first rank, and up to the time of her marriage to the Emperor Meiji, she was known as Princess Haruko. Her Majesty was imbued with the progressive spirit of the times in Japan and showed on many occasions her intense personal interest in affairs and especially in the welfare of the women of Japan.]

THE CABINET CRISIS IN JAPAN.

COUNT OKUMA PERSUADED TO FORM A CABINET.

Tokyo, April 10th.

The *Jiji* states that the Genro (State Council) have chosen Count Okuma as Premier. Stocks have been favourably influenced by the report.

Tokyo, April 12th.

Count Okuma has agreed to form a Cabinet on condition that the Genro give him their support.

Baron Kato, formerly Ambassador to London, will most likely become Foreign Minister.

THE CORONATION.

Tokyo, April 12th.

The announcement of the postponement of the Coronation fixes no date for the event. It will probably be November, 1915. There is strong public feeling in favour of as little delay as possible.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

DEATH OF DOWAGER-EMPRESS OF JAPAN.

BRITISH COURT GOES INTO MOURNING.

London, April 12th.

His Majesty the King has commanded the Court to go into mourning for eight days, from yesterday, for the late Dowager-Empress.

THE PRICE OF RUBBER.

London, April 10th.

Sir Frank Swettenham, at a rubber company meeting in Glasgow, said that the companies were all prepared to adhere to any combination that might be formed in order to raise the price by over two shillings per pound, but the difficulty was that they had also to count on the brokers, shippers, etc., whose interests were conflicting.

A FRENCH LOAN TO TURKEY.

London, April 10th.

Agreements for a big Turkish loan and other financial facilities, and also for Turkish concessions to French groups, have been initiated in Paris.

MAD FRENCHMAN DAMAGES BERLIN STATUES.

London, April 11th.

A Frenchman, who is believed to be demented, considerably damaged the statues in the Siegesallee, Berlin, with a knife and a stone.

DEATH OF LORD SUFFIELD.

London, April 11th.

The death is announced of the fifth Baron Suffield, P.C., G.C.V.O., K.C.B., Lord-in-Waiting in Ordinary to His Majesty the King.

[The late peer was Chief of Staff to the Prince of Wales when His Royal Highness visited India. He was Master of the Norfolk Foxhounds and Stag-hounds for several years, and was at one time Superintendent of the Stables to the Prince of Wales.]

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

THE PROBLEM OF IRISH GOVERNMENT.

COLONEL SEELY ON HIS RESIGNATION.

London, April 10th.

Colonel Seely, M.P., speaking at Long Eaton, strenuously denied any idea of armed attack on Ulster, and intimated that he resigned because the document he gave General Gough, which was intended to be applicable to the whole Army, was regarded as a charter of conditional obedience. The Government had hoped to retain the services of Sir John French and General Ewart, but the latter took the view that though it was only a statement of fact the document had been construed into a trophy; therefore they could do nothing but resign. The King had nothing to do with the document.

Colonel Seely, speaking at Draycott on Saturday, said there had been a grave danger of bloodshed in Ireland through hot-headed persons seizing arms at isolated depots; hence his moving of the troops into Ulster. His orders had been punctually and implicitly obeyed, but the Conservative newspapers went mad on the subject. Colonel Seely denied that there had been a plot to butcher Ulstermen, as many persons, including the majority of the officers and men of the Army, apparently believed. Moreover, the belief of many Liberals in a plot by the Army to disobey orders and so shatter Home Rule was also groundless. His determination simply was to safeguard Government property. It was never intended to employ the Army to crush political opposition, and thereby a great principle, for which our forefathers fought, had been upheld.

THE POSITION IN THE PACIFIC.

SIR GEORGE REID'S VIEWS.

London, April 12th.

Sir George Reid, who has arrived in London from Australia, stated in the course of an interview that Australia had adopted compulsory military training in a splendid spirit of enthusiastic patriotism. The position in the Far East was unsatisfactory, and the time must come when the Indian Empire must help to maintain a Fleet in the Pacific, and so too, must Canada. Japan was making great changes in her methods of promoting national stamina, and was encouraging the importation of wheat and meat. This demand was bound to influence the world's markets, and was certain to cause tremendous development of production in the Commonwealth.

"LOOPING THE LOOP" AT BOURNEMOUTH.

London, April 12th.

Mr. Gustave Hamel at Bournemouth "looped the loop" 21 times, descending from a height of 2,300 feet.

BILLIARDS IN ENGLAND.

INMAN DEFEATS STEVENSON.

London, April 12th.

The billiard match between Inman and Stevenson at Holborn Hall resulted as follows:—Inman, 17,000; Stevenson, 13,775. This is the first time that Inman has beaten Stevenson in a level game.

BRIGHTER OUTLOOK IN ALBANIA.

Durazzo, April 10th.

It appears that the Albanian Government has mastered the situation at Koritza. The insurgents have surrendered and the movement is regarded as suppressed.

ATHENS, April 12th.

Albanians who occupied villages between Premeti and Alekoviki were attacked by Epirotes, and were compelled to withdraw with heavy loss.

1,000 SPANIARDS EXPELLED FROM TORREON.

Madrid, April 12th.

The Government has been informed that 1,000 Spaniards have been expelled from Torreon, and are in a wretched plight. The Government is taking steps to repatriate them.

The Foreign Minister has discussed the affair with the United States Ambassador.

BRITISH POET HONOURED.

London, April 10th.

Reuter reports that Mr. Alfred Noyes has been elected Visiting Professor of Poetry at Princeton University.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

JAPANESE CHILDREN IN CANADIAN SCHOOLS.

A PROTEST AGAINST LEGISLATION FOR SEGREGATION.

VICTORIA (B.C.), April 10th.

The Japanese Consul has protested to the City Council against the segregation of Japanese school children, and says that the most undesirable relations will arise between Canada and Japan if such legislation is passed.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY.

ON THE EVE OF A GREAT ECONOMIC DUEL.

St. Petersburg, April 10th.

The Duma has, by an overwhelming majority, adopted the Government Bill imposing a duty of thirty kopecks per pood on grain, peas, beans, and spices. It is made clear that the measure is anti-German.

The President of the Agricultural Committee, in the Duma, declared that they were on the eve of a great economic duel and concessions were impossible.

The Duma has adopted, with urgency for debate, a Bill taxing imports of German corn into Finland. The Reporter gave figures to show that German imports were gradually ousting Russian products in Finland.

THE ROYAL VISIT TO PARIS.

MAGNIFICENT DECORATIVE SCHEMES.

Paris, April 10th.

Interest is growing in the visit of Their Majesties, and the leading firms of Paris will present Their Majesties with a golden book, containing the signatures of the prominent commercial men, in a casket, and to the Queen, needlework representing an apotheosis of the *Entente Cordiale* framed in gold. The schemes of decoration in the City promise to be most magnificent.

THE KING OF SWEDEN'S HEALTH.

Stockholm, April 10th.

The operation on the King of Sweden occupied seventy-five minutes, and was most successful.

The surgeons found a superficial, but not malignant, ulcer on the lower part of the stomach.

The King spent a quiet night. He suffered some pain, but the wound is healing satisfactorily.

Stockholm, April 12th.

The King spent a quiet night, and slept well. The pain has greatly diminished, and there is every prospect of a normal recovery.

ITALIAN MILITARY BALLOON BURSTS.

SURROUNDING SPECTATORS INJURED.

London, April 10th.

A sudden gust of wind burst the envelope of an Italian military balloon which was moored to a tree near Milan, and was surrounded by a crowd of spectators. Two persons are dying and fifty are slightly injured.

FRENCH INTER-COLONIAL WIRELESS CHAIN.

Paris, April 12th.

The work of constructing the inter-Colonial wireless chain commences forthwith. The principal stations are to be Timbuctoo, Jibuti, Antananarivo, Pondicherry, Saigon, Noumea, Papeete, Marquesas, and Martinique. Most of the stations will have a range of two to three thousand miles.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY IN FRANCE.

Paris, April 12th.

England beat France as hockey by 16 goals to nil.

LONDON SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth received the following quotations (middle price) from their London Agents by wire on the 9th inst.

Indo-China (combined)	145/-
Chinese Engineering	38/9
Hongkong Electric Trams	3/11
Trench Mines Ltd.	27/8
Ural Caspian	53/9
Mexican Eagles	41/3
Shell Trans. "Beaver"	103/11
British Burmah Petroleum	4/9
United Serdangs	10/11
Rubber Plant Inv. Trust	13/11
Venture Trust Ltd.	1/4
Hongkong Bank	£29.10. sellers
Fine Hard Part	2/4 per lb.
Plantation	2/84

Hongkong, 11th April, 1914.

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[THROUGH BRUTER'S AGESOR.]
ENGLAND'S INDUSTRIAL
TROUBLES.
PROTRACTED BUILDING STRIKE.

LONDON, April 11th.
No settlement of the building strike in London, which has lasted now for eleven weeks, is yet in sight. Though the strike pay is exhausted, the men are determined to resist the agreement entailing work with non-Unionists.

YORKSHIRE MINERS' DISPUTE.
At the instance of the Coal Conciliation Board, a ballot of the Yorkshire miners will be taken on the question of continuing the strike or restricting it to Rotherham, the original seat of the trouble. Already £80,000 strike pay has been distributed. Many of the works are closing down.

LONDON CARTERS' STRIKE.
A strike of carters in London is threatening to spread.

BRITISH PROPERTY IN MEXICO.
RIGHTS TO BE RESPECTED.

EL PASO, April 12th.
As a result of representations by the British Consul-General regarding the security of British mining property in North-West Mexico, General Carranza, the Rebel leader, has instructed the Rebel chiefs that the British rights must be respected.

AMERICAN MARINES ARRESTED
IN MEXICO.
FEDERALS' ACTION DISAVOWED BY PRESIDENT HUERTA.

MEXICO CITY, April 12th.
A detachment of American marines were securing petrol at Tampico when they were arrested by Federal troops. After a protest they were released. An apology is demanded within 24 hours. President Huerta has issued a statement disavowing the act of his subordinates.

POLICE TO BE ABOLISHED ON
BRITISH WARSHIPS.

LONDON, April 12th.
The experiment of abolishing the ships' police on the new battle-cruiser *Queen Mary* was so successful that it will now be extended to the whole Navy.

BRITISH SUFFRAGETTE TO TOUR
THE CONTINENT.

LONDON, April 11th.
Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, the Suffragette, has started on a lecturing tour on the "hunger-strike" in Austria-Hungary and Germany.

ANOTHER SUFFRAGETTE
OUTRAGE.

DAMAGE IN ASIATIC SECTION OF BRITISH MUSEUM.

LONDON, April 10th.
A Suffragette smashed with a hatchet the glass of a number of cases in the Asiatic section of the British Museum. She has been arrested.

LATER.
The prisoner was committed for trial after a riotous scene in the police court, in which she flung a bundle of papers at the Magistrate.

THE EASTER HOLIDAYS IN
ENGLAND.

LONDON, April 11th.
There were large congregations in the Churches at the Good Friday services, and there were religious processions in the streets. The weather was fine.
About 100,000 witnessed football matches in London.
Four airmen looped the loop at Hendon, despite a prevailing gale.

MARRIAGE LICENCES IN
ILLINOIS.

LONDON, April 11th.
The newly-enfranchised women voters in Illinois are advocating the establishment of a matrimonial bureau in Chicago, empowered to check the issue of licences to marry.

THE MISSING SEALER.

St. John's, April 10th.
The steamer *Kyle* has sent a wireless message that she sighted seal pelts floating seventy miles south-west of Cape St. Mary's. They are supposed to be from the lost sealer, *Southern Cross*.

["DER OSTASIATISCHER LLOYD"]
SERVICE.]CHINA SERVICE.
CONGRESS OF CHINESE CHAM-
BERS OF COMMERCE.

PEKING, April 11th.
The Chinese Chambers of Commerce have brought their Congress to a close after sitting twenty-five days. The conclusions arrived at show sharp opposition to the views of the Government, especially as regards the abolition of the *Likin* system. The revision of the tariff is considered practical and a decision on this will probably be reached. Schools of Commerce will be erected at the expense of the Chambers of Commerce. The Congress has asked the Government for a grant of Tael 200,000, to be used for travel studies through the United States by Chinese merchants.

The next Congress of the Chambers of Commerce will be held at Peking next year. The Shanghai Chamber has been instructed to carry the resolutions into effect.

THE UNREST IN THE COUNTRY.

PEKING, April 11th.
Great exertions are being made at Peking for the restoration of order in the country.

Lu Chien Chang, until now President of the Court-Martial, will go with one division, in which are incorporated 5 battalions of Kiangsi troops, to Honan, Shansi, Hupeh and Anhui, in order to put a finish to the "White Wolf" movement.

Li Ching Si has been appointed "Pacifier" of Szechuan.

THE HANYANG IRON WORKS.

PEKING, April 11th.
Sheng Kung Pao has sent a representative to Peking, in order to confer with the Government about the taking over of the Hanyang Iron Works.

CHINESE LEGAL EXAMINATIONS.

PEKING, April 11th.
The first examinations for lawyers will be held in July.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

MILITARY AND THE USE OF ARMS.

BERLIN, April 9th.
The Press view the new rules for the use of arms by the Military as an advance, without being any concession to the Democracy.

GREEK TROOPS IN EPIRUS.

BERLIN, April 9th.
Roumania, acting as mediator in the Epirotic affair, has undertaken to see to the evacuation of the Greek troops.

The Epirotes have committed outrages against the Roumanian Kuitzo-Wallachians, and there is in consequence excitement of feeling against Greece at Bucharest.

HUNGARY AND ROUMANIA

BERLIN, April 9th.
Dr. Beldiman, Roumanian Minister to Berlin, on the instructions of H. M. the Kaiser, has informed his Government that the interview of H. M. with King Carol at Schoenbrunn, and the explanations of the Hungarian Premier, Count Tirza, have produced a Roumanophile turn in Hungary.

RUSSIAN DECLARATION TO
"AUSTRIA"

BERLIN, April 9th.
The Russian Ambassador at Vienna, by personal command of H. M. the Czar, has handed over a declaration, stating that Russia is intending to settle domestic questions and reduce her foreign activity.

THE TURKISH LOAN.

BERLIN, April 9th.
Djavid Pasha has been recalled to Constantinople.

The new Turkish loan from Paris is nearing conclusion.

THE ARMAMENTS' TAX.

BERLIN, April 9th.
Herr Krupp's contribution towards the non-recurring armaments' tax amount to £400,000.

L'ENTENTE CORDIALE.

LONDON, April 9th.
On the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Anglo-French *Entente Cordiale*, the Paris Press prints festive articles, but in the English side it is only the Conservatives who bring corresponding reflections.

["DER OSTASIATISCHER LLOYD"]
SERVICE.]

THE ALBANIAN SITUATION.

NOTE FROM THE TRIPLE ENTENTE

LONDON, April 8th.
The situation in Albania is regarded as easier, as Greece, notwithstanding the troubles, seems to be willing to recall her troops from South Albania.

The Note handed by the Ambassadors of the Triple Entente Powers to the Triple Alliance, moves for certain concessions to the Greeks in South Albania.

BERLIN, April 10th.
The tenor of the Note of the Triple Entente on Albania and the Aegean Islands has been declared acceptable in principle by the Triple Alliance. The latter desire that on the occasion of handing the Note Greece should at the same time be required to evacuate South Albania forthwith.

BERLIN, April 11th.
The Note from the Triple Entente Powers shows an essential approach to the standpoint taken by the Triple Alliance, and its acceptance is probable. All the Great Powers are agreed as regards the early demand to Athens for the final evacuation of South Albania.

THE KING OF SWEDEN.

OPERATION SUCCESSFUL.

STOCKHOLM, April 9th.
The operation performed on H.M. the King of Sweden for abscess of the stomach has been successfully performed and no malignant causes were found.

THE IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR.

BERLIN, April 10th.
The Imperial Chancellor, Herr v. Bethmann-Hollweg, leaves to-morrow for Corfu.

ANTI-GERMAN TARIFF FOR RUSSIA.

BERLIN, April 10th.
The Russian Duma has adopted an entrance duty of thirty kopeks per poon, on cereals, peas and beans. This is a measure hostile to Germany, and the German agrarian Press, referring to the negotiations for the German-Russian Treaty of Commerce, demand counter-measures.

EXCITEMENT AT ATHENS.

BERLIN, April 10th.
Excitement reigns at Athens against Albania on account of the repression of the Greeks at Koritza.

EXPLOSION OF AN ITALIAN
MILITARY AIRSHIP.

BERLIN, April 10th.
The Italian airship *Citta di Milano* has exploded, but no loss of life resulted. The German aviators in Russia are accused of making a forbidden flight across the frontier. A charge of espionage has been added.

THE TRIPLE ENTENTE.

RUSSIA WANTS AN ALLIANCE.

BERLIN, April 11th.
The Russian Press demands the conversion of the Triple Entente into an Alliance, against which even the *Temps* is able to report from London that there is no disposition in England towards an Alliance.

ROUMANIA AND BULGARIA.

BERLIN, April 11th.
King Carol of Roumania, interviewed, laid stress on the interest taken by Roumania in Albania. He recognized the bravery of Bulgaria and called special attention to the fact that important new gains of territory would be possible to Bulgaria with the help of Roumania.

RUSSIAN NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

BERLIN, April 11th.
The Russian Imperial Duma has voted credits to the amount of 77 million roubles for the construction of men-of-war and for fitting out naval depots.

ALICE AT THE FINEST SITE.

A TALK WITH THE BRONZE
QUEEN.

Alice pushed up the cover and peeped out. No one was to be seen, and so, without further thought, she sprang up on to the pavement and turned quickly round to assist her friends to follow her. "You'll excuse my apparent rudeness in going first," said Alice.

"It's not much good apologising after you've done a thing," grumbled the Carpenter. "But how can you apologise for doing a thing before you've done it?" objected Alice.

"I didn't say I could," snapped the Carpenter. "I said you should." "Oh, well, for goodness sake," put in Alice, "don't let's begin to quarrel again—the question is, where are we?"

"The obvious answer is, we are here," said the Mad Hatter. "Where else could we be?" "Yes, I know," went on Alice. "But I mean, what is this queer bare-looking place that we have come to with all these great wide streets, with no one about, and those funny little iron railings round them, and what is that huge building with the big front door, and apparently no way of getting at it; and, oh, goodness, who is that nice-looking old lady sitting in the arm chair? Why, she's just like one of the Queens. Do let us go and speak to her."

Alice drew her friends after her and advancing demurely she said:—"I beg your pardon, but I think I've had the pleasure of meeting you before, though for the life of me I can't remember your name."

"I'm the Queen," said the old lady, without moving a muscle of her face. "The White Queen or the Red Queen, may I ask?" enquired Alice politely. "Wrong again," said the Mad Hatter. "This is the Black Queen—any silly could see that."

"You shouldn't make personal remarks," chided Alice; "you won't mind what she says," she went on; "he doesn't mean to be rude." "How do you know I don't?" replied the Mad Hatter; "besides, she is black—or very nearly."

Oh, grand-mother Coburg sat in her fauburg. To give a fine site a name. She went to— "You'd look very nearly black if you had to sit here all day and all night without a soul to speak to," said Her Majesty.

"Well, but you have a few friends about," suggested Alice looking round. "Yes, it's not quite so dull as it was before Edward and Alexandra and the rest of them came," admitted the Queen. "I suppose Edward is the gentleman with the cricket ball in his hand?" enquired Alice.

"It's not a cricket ball—it's the Ball of Maintenance," said the Queen frowning. "Oh, well, I knew it was a ball of some sort directly I saw it," remarked Alice.

"You are getting a smartier," said the March Hare. "Didn't you think it was a fishing rod?" "No, I didn't," protested Alice. "I'm not such a fool as I look."

"Well, come, that's something," said the March Hare. Alice did not make any reply, but turning to the Queen, "I suppose the lady opposite is Alexandra?"

"That's it," said Her Majesty. "Why they can't put their names up in good plain letters beats me. Nobody could possibly recognise them, or guess who they are—and in those ridiculous clothes, too; and poor Alexandra with her delicate throat—it's enough to give her her death of cold—and Mary, too. Just imagine what it's like out here in a typhoon!"

"Well, but there's no wind now," said Alice soothingly. "Isn't there?" answered the Queen; "look at George's cloak! He can hardly stand up there for the wind, as you see for yourself—and those two poor girls with practically nothing on!" Alice saw that she had touched upon a sore point, and so to change the conversation she remarked:—"I expect you can remember a good many changes—may I ask how long you have been here?"

"Over twenty years," said Her Majesty, "but it seems more like a hundred." She paused for a moment and then went on quietly:—"I remember, I remember, when first they put me here."

And Bowdler said the place would be completed in a year. That flowering shrub, in painted tub. And railings, tinted green. And gilding bright would make the site The finest ever seen. "I remember, I remember, when they started on the Court. And Cooper said—a year or so. Would you see it up—he thought. He must have been an optimist. To nourish such ideas. But he spoke with quiet confidence. And he spoke with quiet confidence. And he spoke with quiet confidence."

"I remember, I remember, the trenches wide and deep. The horrid noise the piling made—The dust—the loss of sleep. But Towler said, 'Beddy' he said, 'I've never heard a sound, And the trouble's caused entirely By the nature of the ground.'"

"I remember, I remember, the coolies' matches high. The ropes on which the carpenters hung up their pants to dry. And Mr. Jones, in quiet tones, Was often heard to say: 'A few more weeks and all their breaks Shall be removed away.'"

"I remember, I remember, the cock-house made of mate. The awful smell of stink 'im fish—The flies—the swarms of rats. But every Christmas Chatham hoped The end was coming soon—He couldn't state the actual date. But he thought the end of June."

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"They don't go anywhere," answered the Queen. "Then what's the use of them? As far as I can make out there is about three acres of site, and more than two acres of it seem to be erected! What's the use of them?" Alice repeated. "Who said they were any use?" snapped the Queen.

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little paths about fifteen feet wide with plenty of nice comfortable seats, so that everybody could walk about or sit down and really enjoy the open space, and the evening breeze, and all that sort of thing."

"Ah, now you're talking!" said the Queen. "What's the matter with a band-stand?" shouted the Carpenter. "What's the matter with a fountain?" said the March Hare. "Are there any flies on cold drinks?" asked the Mad Hatter.

"An oyster bar would be pretty hot stuff," murmured the Walrus. "There you go spoiling everything again," objected Alice. "Every time you open your mouth you put your foot in it!" Well, so long as I don't put my foot in your mouth what's it got to do with you?" said the Walrus. "I suppose my mouth's my own." "Besides," he went on, pointing to the Queen, "she said she wanted a band-stand."

"That's not true," said the Queen. "And I throw the words back in your false teeth!" "False teeth, indeed!" murmured the Walrus. "Why, I haven't got a false tooth in my head!" Alice could see that the Queen was getting more and more exasperated with these constant interruptions, and so to bring the interview to an end she jumped up and said:—"Well, thank you very much for your conversation, which we have enjoyed very much, but I'm afraid we must be going now."

"So long," said the Queen. "Sorry you can't go any sooner. Any time you're passing by, go on passing by, you know." She closed her eyes, but as Alice and her friends turned away she suddenly laughed. They turned round and she said apologetically, "I was laughing at that riddle you know—Why is a snowdrop like a cricket ball. It's not bad, you know, when you come to think of it—and that idea of yours about the garden—that's not bad, you know, either. She blinked at Alice gravely and added, "I've known cleverer people than you say stupider things than that."

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By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 11th April, 1914. [548]

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S. C. de BUSSIERRE,
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Hongkong, 13th April 1914. [2]

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J. O. REMEDIOS,
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Hongkong, 9th April, 1914. [535]

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Kowloon, 7th April, 1914. [526]

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F. SMYTH,
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1914. [705]

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Hongkong, 9th April, 1914. [531]

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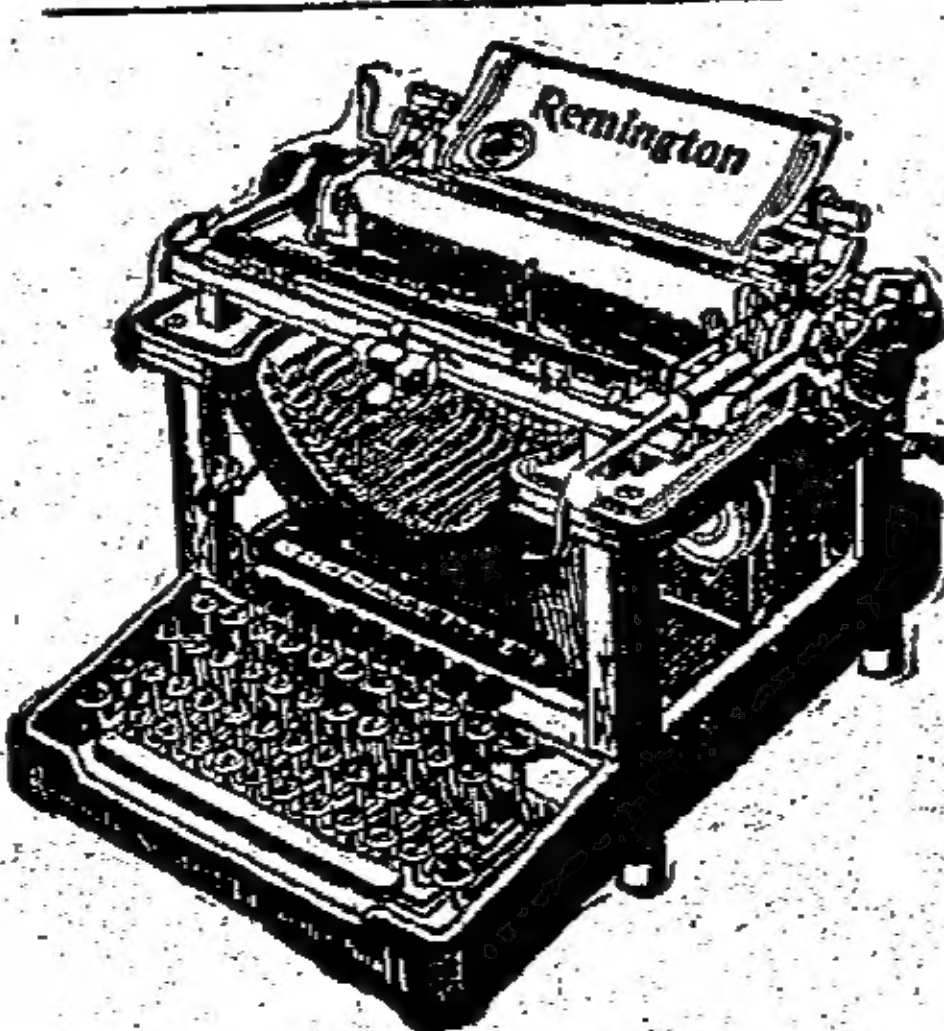
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W. G. DABBY,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1914. [476]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 17th April, 1914, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1913, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 7th to 17th April, 1914, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1914. [511]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 17th April, 1914, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1913, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 17th April, 1914, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1914. [512]

HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING & DYING CO., LTD.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Office of the General Managers on MONDAY, the 20th April, 1914, at 11 A.M., to consider the Resolutions which have been circulated regarding the transfer of the machinery to Shanghai.

JARDINE, MATHEWSON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1914. [536]

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 21st day of April, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 11th day of April, to TUESDAY, the 21st day of April, 1914, both days inclusive.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1914. [521]

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G. VERMEY, Manager.
No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1913. [52]

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STARR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1911. [16]

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BOOKING AT MOUTRIE'S.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1914. [501]

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GEORGE HOGG,
Manager.
9, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 21st October, 1913. [118]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital ... £1,500,000
Subscribed " ... 1,125,000
Paid-up " ... 562,500
Reserve Fund ... 465,000

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"BRISGAVIA," Captain Hold, having arrived. Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given to-day.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th inst. at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

This steamer brings on cargo: Ex. a.s. "Shallot" from Copenhagen. Ex. a.s. "Norge" from Göteborg. Ex. a.s. "Trelborg" from Åhus. Ex. a.s. "Jarl" from Åhus.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, 7th April, 1914. (522)

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENAVON," From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th inst. at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 8th April, 1914. (523)

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "LOTHIAN," From GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th inst. at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents, Hongkong, 9th April, 1914. (539)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamship

"DELTA," Arrived Hongkong on 9th April, 1914. From ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th inst. at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by B. & H. HEWITT, Superintendent, Hongkong, 9th April, 1914. (539)

PASSED THE CANAL.

March 6th - Bencluch, Brodvald, Guernsey.
March 10th - Den of Crombie.
March 13th - Japan, Monmouthshire, Northampton, Ursula Rickmers.
March 17th - Brasilia, Nippon, Nanza.
March 20th - Agammon, Calchas, Ferrol, Sunda.
March 24th - Himalaya, Almark, Nordey, Bennoh.
March 27th - Achilles, Bendoran, Bellow, Gordiller, Patricia.
March 31st - Atenta Maru, Ellen Rickmers, Glenloch, Lennox, Nippon, Suruga, Atrous, O. J. D. Ahlers.
April 3rd - Lycaon, Nore, Pyrrhus, Glenfarg, Novara.
April 7th - Azar, Kasama, Luskov, Suevia, Furt Bulow, Kina.

COMPANY REPORT.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the twenty-fifth ordinary general meeting reads as follows:—

The Board of Directors have to lay before the shareholders a statement of accounts and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

After allowing for Directors' and Auditors' fees, and providing \$80,418.69 for depreciation on the Company's buildings, machinery, launches, lighters, etc., as per Articles of Association, the net profit, including the sum brought forward from the previous year, amounts to \$102,241.71, which is recommended to be carried forward to the credit of next year's account.

Directors.—Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross having resigned on leaving the Colony, Hon. Mr. David Landale was invited to take his place, which requires confirmation.

In accordance with section 12 (14) of the Articles of Association Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar and Mr. D. W. Craddock retired, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. A. O'D. Gourdin and F. Matland, who are recommended for re-election.

J. W. NOBLE, Directors.
C. P. CHATFIELD, General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1914.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1913—PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Directors' Fees	\$ 5,000.00
Auditors' Fees	600.00
Written off account Ching Yue	3,000.00
Amount written off as depreciation account 1913	80,418.69
Expenses incurred in connection with the Investigating Committee	
Printing and Stationery	228.85
Law, Bingham, & Matthews	
Secretaries to Committee of Investigation	4,082.87
Legal Expenses	2,088.87
Balance	102,241.71

Balance brought forward from 1912 account 55,818.63 |

Unclaimed dividend account 1909 forfeited 1,650.00 |

Interest 21,719.45 |

Balance from Working Account—Sales of Cement 116,815.88 |

Sales of Bricks 12,251.23 |

Pipes, etc. 129,067.11 |

Balance \$203,261.19 |

BALANCE SHEET.

Capital—400,000 Shares at \$10 each \$4,000,000.00 |

Fully paid 15,000.00 |

Reserve Fund 15,000.00 |

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank 33,579.70 |

Current account overdraft 78,731.01 |

Sundry Creditors 78,731.01 |

Balance of Profit and Loss account 102,241.71 |

Green Island, Macao—Buildings and Machinery as per last statement 376,515.40 |

Less Depreciation account 1913 22,590.92 |

353,924.48 |

Cement and Raw Material in stock 21,036.40 |

Coal and Casks in stock valued at 788.49 |

Stores (General and Machinery) in stock valued at 22,204.32 |

Patent Rights for Clay Drying Process 1,018.97 |

Less amount written off as authorized at annual meeting of 28th April, 1913 918.97 |

100.00 |

Hok On, Hongkong—Land as per last statement 1,248,653.31 |

Buildings and Machinery as per last statement 810,230.36 |

Less amount written off as authorized at annual meeting of 28th April, 1913 6,788.44 |

803,441.92 |

Less Sale of Crusher and accessories 2,000.00 |

801,441.92 |

Less Depreciation account 1913 48,066.27 |

753,375.65 |

Since expended 6,516.45 |

746,859.20 |

Cement and Raw Material in stock 312,277.16 |

Coal, Casks, Drums, and Gunnies in stock valued at 46,176.51 |

Stores (General and Machinery) valued at 143,030.71 |

501,484.37 |

Cement on consignment valued at 53,501.64 |

Deep Water Bay Works 3,500.00 |

Land as per last statement 170,712.69 |

Buildings and Machinery as per last statement 10,242.75 |

180,955.44 |

Bricks, Pipes, and Tiles in stock 56,953.66 |

Coal in stock valued at 2,114.40 |

Stores in stock 6,007.54 |

valued at 65,065.50 |

Bricks, Pipes, etc., on consignment, valued at

Steamers, Lighters, and Launches, 299,148.30

Less Depreciation account 1913 11,598.54 |

287,549.76 |

Value of Coal on board s.s. "Chingchow" 735.30 |

Property at Canton as per last statement 61,904.05 |

Less amount written off as authorized at annual meeting of 28th April, 1913 41,904.05 |

20,000.00 |

Value of premium on unexpired policies 6,893.84 |

Sundry Debtors 180,663.46 |

Cash on Hand 157.21 |

Hok On Works 788.02 |

Macao Works 312.70 |

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank 550,000.00 |

Fixed Deposit 551,257.93 |

\$4,229,552.42 |

J. W. NOBLE, Directors.
C. P. CHATFIELD, General Managers.

SHAW, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1914.

Auditors' Report.—We report that we have audited the above balance sheet with the books and vouchers of the Company and that in our opinion such balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs at the 31st December, 1913, according to the best of our information, and the explanations given us, and as shown by the books and securities of the Company. The various stocks as in previous years are as certified for quantity by the Works Managers, and for value by the General Managers. We have obtained all the information and explanation we have required.

A. O'D. GOURDIN, Auditors.
F. MATLAND, Auditors.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1914.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Waldemar* left Sydney on the 4th April, at 8 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 27th April.

The E. & A. str. *Empire* left Sydney for this port (via Queensland ports, Port Darwin and Manila) on the 7th April, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 2nd May.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Budow*, carrying the German mails, with dates from Berlin of the 18th March, left Singapore on the 11th April, at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 16th April, at 1 p.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The str. *Torilla*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 7th April, and may be expected here on or about the 13th April, a.m.

The str. *Glentworth* left Singapore on the 7th April, p.m., and is due here on the 13th April, at noon.

The H.A.L. str. *Alma* left Hongkong on the 8th April, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 14th April, a.m.

The Danish str. *Cathay* left Hongkong on the 6th April, and may be expected here on or about the 14th April.

The str. *Dittava* left Calcutta on the 1st April, and may be expected here on or about the 18th April.

The N.Y.K. str. *Atsuta Maru* (European Line) left Marseilles for this port via ports on the 21st March, and is expected here on the 31st April.

The A.A. S.S. Co's str. *Indram* passed the Suez Canal on the 17th March for Hongkong direct.

The N.Y.K. str. *Hitachi Maru* (European Line) left London for this port via ports on the 28th March, and is expected here on the 6th May.

The Mogul Line str. *Montrose* left United Kingdom via Straits on the 23rd March, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 7th May.

The str. *Glenloch* passed the Suez Canal on the 31st March, for Hongkong via Straits.

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Suisong, from Calcutta, is due in Hongkong 18th April.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Washing* reports: Fair monsoon.

The British str. *Muttra* reports: Moderate to rough.

The British str. *Chinhua* reports: Strong N.E. wind.

The British str. *Indram* reports: Generally fine throughout.

The British str. *Merionethshire* reports: Light winds and fine clear weather.

The British str. *Hwasung* reports: Fresh monsoon, high sea, fine, clear, cloudy.

The British str. *Hatching* reports: Had moderate variable winds and fine hazy weather to Chiling-Point; thence dense fog to head.

The British str. *Fauveng* reports: Moderate northerly wind and swell to the Paracels; thence to port, fresh N.N.E. to E.N.E. winds and heavy corresponding swell.

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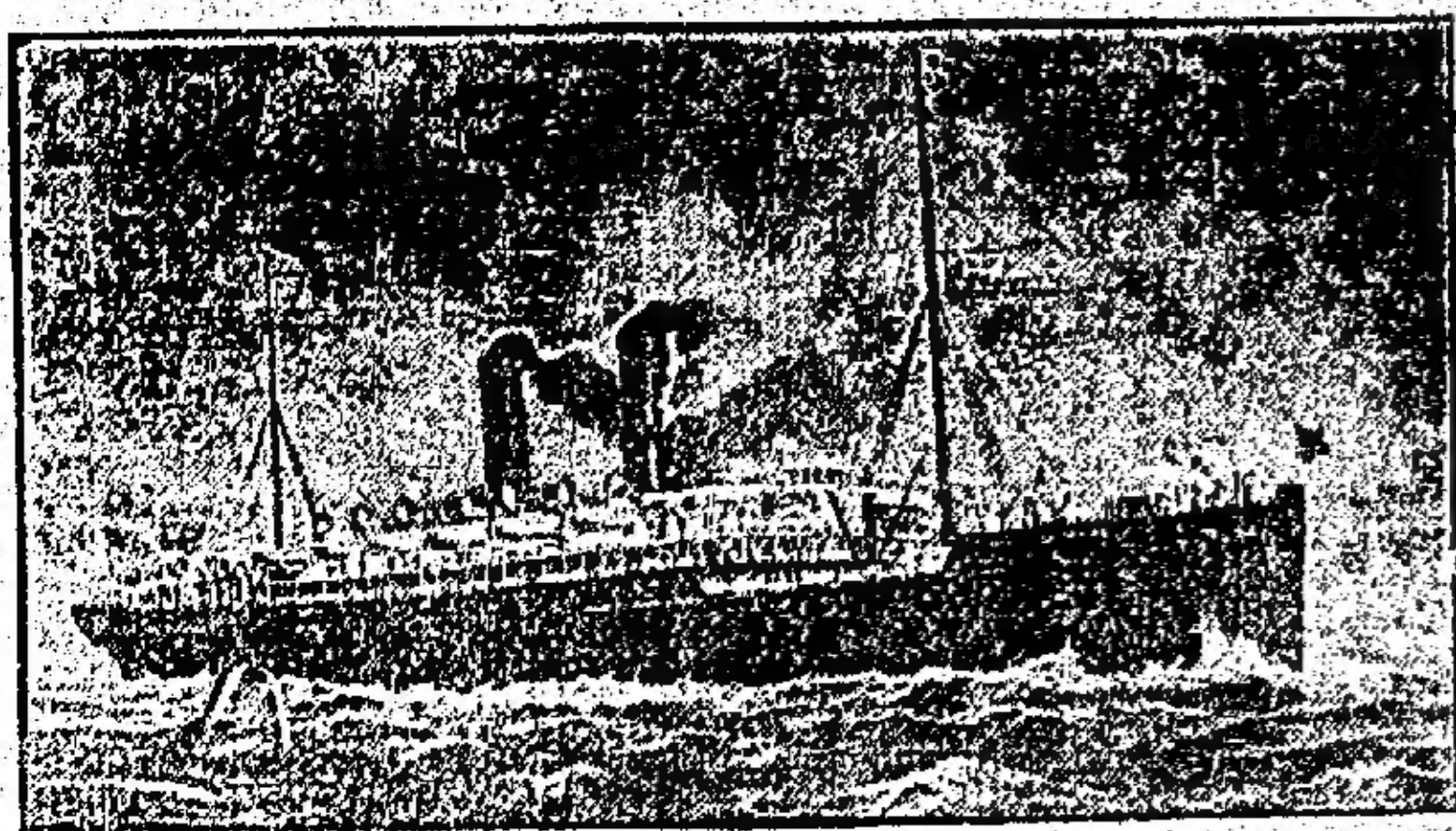
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KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY, 9th May, at 1 p.m.
SIBERIA	18,000	TUESDAY, 19th May, at 1 p.m.
CHINA	10,200	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, at Noon.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 6th June, at 1 p.m.
NILE	11,000	TUESDAY, 16th June, at Noon.
MONGOLIA	27,000	FRIDAY, 26th June, at 1 p.m.

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27th May ... CHINA	29th May	30th Apr. ... KOREA	2nd May
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Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"CHICAGO MARU"	I. Goto	THURSDAY, 16th April, at Noon.
"CANADA MARU"	H. Yamamoto	WEDNESDAY, 29th April, at Noon.
"TACOMA MARU"	T. Hamada	THURSDAY, 14th May, at Noon.
"PANAMA MARU"	J. Kaneko	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, at Noon.
"SEATTLE MARU"	T. Saito	THURSDAY, 11th June, at Noon.
"MEXICO MARU"	N. Kobayashi	WEDNESDAY, 24th June, at Noon.

Calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA.

These Newly-Built Steamers have fair speed and are fitted with the Wireless Apparatus. A limited number of Cabin Passengers carried at Low Rates. Best adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Treasure and Parcels. Special attention given toward Express connection.

JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.

FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG AND COLOMBO.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"SAIGON MARU"	T. Yamaguchi	THURSDAY, 16th April, A.M.
"ANNAN MARU"	T. Takemura	SATURDAY, 2nd May, A.M.
"INDO MARU"	K. Komiya	FRIDAY, 8th May, A.M.

CHINA AND FORMOSA LINE.

FOR FOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"KAISO MARU"	Y. Yamamoto	Leaving

FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"DAIGI MARU"	S. Tokushige	SUNDAY, 19th April, at Noon.
"DAIJIN MARU"	K. Murakami	Leaving

FOR ANPING AND TAKAO VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"SOSHU MARU"	K. Tashira	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, at 10 A.M.

FOR CANTON.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"SOSHU MARU"	K. Tashira	Leaving

These Steamers of Coast and Formosa Line have Excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and are fitted with Electric Light and Fans.

These Steamers will arrive at and depart from Sze Yip Wharf (near the Harbour Office, Prince of Wales).

For FURTHER INFORMATION, apply to

Z. KAMIYA,

MANAGER.

Second Floor No. 1 Queen's Building.

INDIAN AFRICAN LINE.

Cargo carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (Natal), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN with transshipment at COLOMBO to Steamers of the INDIAN AFRICAN LINE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

From Hongkong:	Connecting with "GUJARAT"	From Colombo:
28th April	17th May	

EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION FOR 1ST AND 2ND CLASS PASSENGERS.

ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE.

Regular Direct Service from JAPAN, CHINA AND STRAITS TO BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN, calling at MAURITIUS en route, and affording the Quickest Freight Transport from the ORIENT TO SOUTH AFRICA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

From Hongkong: "SALAMIS" 25th July.

FIRST CLASS ACCOMMODATION FOR PASSENGERS.

Fitted With WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

For Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,

MANAGING AGENTS.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO & WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

REDUCTION IN SALOON FARES.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

Commencing from April 1st the Saloon passage rates by the Companies' steamers will be reduced to—

Single Fare by Night Steamer	10.00
Return " (available also for return by day steamer)	10.00
Single Fare by Day Steamer	5.00
Return " (available also for return by day steamer)	5.00

The attention of the travelling Public is drawn to the comfort afforded by the Companies' vessels. Passengers arriving by Night steamers from Canton (due at Hongkong about 11 p.m.) are permitted to sleep on board till next morning without extra charge. Electric fans and electric light are available all night.

HONGKONG TO CANTON. CANTON TO HONGKONG.

MONDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1914.

8 a.m. HEUNGSHAN.	8 a.m. KINSHAN.
10 p.m. KINSHAN.	6 p.m. HONAM.

TUESDAY, 14TH APRIL, 1914.

8 a.m. HONAM.	8 a.m. HEUNGSHAN.
10 p.m. HEUNGSHAN.	5 p.m. KINSHAN.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. SUI TAI, Tons 1,651. S.S. TAISHAN, Tons 2,006.

Week days at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf, Sundays at 9 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1914.

The Company's New Steamship "TAISHAN"

Will depart from the Wing Lok Street Wharf at 9 a.m. and return from Macao at 4 p.m. N.B.—The Company will also run a Steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 a.m. and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

FARES AS USUAL.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. SUI TAI, 1,651 tons. Departures from Macao to Canton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 p.m. Departures from Canton to Macao on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 4.30 p.m.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. SAINAM, 588 tons, and S.S. NANNING, 569 tons.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct Steamers LINTAN and SANUI. These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

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Hotel Mansions (First Floor), opposite the Blake Pier. [42]

BRITISH INDIA S. N. CO., LTD.

APCAR LINE.

REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN CALCUTTA, STRAITS, SHANGHAI AND JAPAN PORTS.

EASTWARD S.S. "TORILLA," 5,205 tons, Captain C. J. Swanson, R.N.R., will be despatched for SHANGHAI, KOBE and MOJI on 18th April.

S.S. "DILWARA," 5,378 tons, Captain G. N. Ramagie, R.N.R., will be despatched for KOBE and MOJI on 25th April.

WESTWARD S.S. "ABRATON APCAR," 4,450 tons, Capt. W. Walker, will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA on 15th April.

S.S. "THONGWA," 6,298 tons, Captain O. M. Robins, will be despatched as above on 19th April.

The above Steamers have excellent Saloon accommodation for Passengers and are fitted with all modern conveniences and carry a duly qualified surgeon.

For Freight or passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1914.

Passengers Holding Round Trip Tickets may Return by any Steamer of the PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., TOYO KISEN KAISHA, NIPPON Yusen Kaisha, LLOYD and EASTERN and AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

Electric Light, Fans in every Cabin. Compulsory Stowaways Carried. For Freight or Passage, apply to SHERMAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 15th April, 1914.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD

FOR	STEAMER	To SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	CORDELLERE	On 19th April

HOMEWARD

FROM	STEAMER	To SAIL
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	ATLANTIQUE	On 21st April, at 1 p.m.

ALL STEAMERS FITTED WITH WIRELESS.

TRANS SHIPPING on the Co's Steamers at COLOMBO for CALCUTTA, BOMBAY and AUSTRALIA; at PORT SAID for the LEVANT, CONSTANTINOPLE and BLACK SEA.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION ON

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS AND DISPLACEMENT	TONS	SAILING DATE
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	KASHIMA MARU	20,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd Apr., at 10 A.M.
	MISHIMA MARU	20,000	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, at 10 A.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA	SHIDZUOKA MARU	12,500	TUESDAY, 21st Apr., at Noon
	TAMBA MARU	12,500	TUESDAY, 5th May, at Noon
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	MIKKO MARU	9,600	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, at Noon
	KUMANO MARU	9,300	WEDNESDAY, 3rd June, at Noon
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON	TOSA MARU	12,500	SATURDAY 18th April
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO	PENANG MARU	12,500	THURSDAY, 16th April
MOJI and KOBE	JINSEN MARU	5,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April
KOBE (direct)	COLOMBO MARU	12,500	TUESDAY, 21st April
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	9,300	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, at 11 A.M.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	ATSUTA MARU	16,000	WEDNESDAY, 12nd Apr., at 11 A.M.

Fitted with New System of Wireless Telegraphy.

PASSENGER SEASON—1914.

STEAMER	TONS	SAILS	WEDNESDAY
KASHIMA MARU	20,000	"	22nd April
MISHIMA	16,000	"	6th May

STEAMER	TONS	SAILS	TUESDAY
SHIDZUOKA MARU	12,500	"	21st April
TAMBA	12,500	"	5th May

With option of Rail between Steamer's Calling Ports in Japan.

For Further Information as to Freight, Sailing, &c., apply to— T. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES AND LONDON

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c. THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Connecting Steamer	to	Leave	Leave	Connecting Steamer	Due at	Due at
"ORIENTAL"	to	SHANGHAI	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO	MARSEILLES	PLYMOUTH
YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO	RAI	KONG	to MARSEILLES and LONDON	1st	1 day later
p.m.		6 p.m.	Noon		Friday	Thursday
Thurs.		Tues.	Satur.		May 22	May 23
Apr. 16	DELTA	Apr. 21	Apr. 25	MALWA	June 5	June 11
Apr. 30	ASSAYE	May 5	May 9	MOOLTAN	Saturday	Friday
		May 19	May 23	MOREA	June 20	June 26
May 14	INDIA	June 2	June 6	MALWA	July 4	July 10
May 28	DEVANHA	June 16	June 20	MARMORA	July 18	July 24
June 11	DELTA	June 30	July 4	MOLDAVIA	Aug. 1	Aug. 7
June 25	HIMALAYA	July 14	July 18	MEDINA	Aug. 15	Aug. 21
July 9	ASSAYE	July 23	Aug. 1	MONGOLIA	Aug. 29	Sept. 4
July 23	DEVANHA	Aug. 6	Aug. 10	EGYPT	Sept. 12	Sept. 18
Aug. 6	CHINA	Aug. 11	Aug. 15		Sept. 25	Oct. 1

THE ATTENTION of Passengers is drawn to the ACCELERATED ARRIVAL of the Mail Steamers at MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH and LONDON. These vessels will now arrive in MARSEILLES on Friday, and LONDON on the following Friday. Arrangements are also being made whereby passengers by the P. & O. Special Train from MARSEILLES can now arrive in LONDON at 3.25 p.m. on Saturdays.

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES: The Fares to London and MARSEILLES are as follows:—

	LONDON	MARSEILLES
1st Saloon "A" Accommodation Single	£65.	£97.
"B" " " " " "	259.	289.
2nd Saloon "A" " " " " "	244.	266.
"B" " " " " "	240.	260.
1st Saloon "A" Accommodation Single	£61.	£91.
"B" " " " " "	255.	285.
2nd Saloon "A" " " " " "	242.	263.
"B" " " " " "	238.	257.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR LONDON

CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS	Leave Y'HAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave H'KONG	Leave S'FORE	Due at M'SHILLES	Due at LONDON
* KHIVA	about	about	about	about	about	about
NUBIA	Mar. 31	Apr. 11	Apr. 15	Apr. 19	May 19	May 28
NAMUR	Apr. 14	Apr. 25	Apr. 29	May 15	June 2	June 12
NOVABA	Apr. 28	May 7	May 13	May 19	June 16	June 26
NELORE	May 26	June 4	June 10	June 16	July 14	July 24
* KHYBER	June 9	June 18	June 24	June 30	July 28	Aug. 7
NAGAYA	June 23	July 2	July 8	July 14	Aug. 11	Aug. 21
SYRIA	July 7	July 16	July 22	July 28	Aug. 25	Sept. 4
NILE	July 21	July 30	Aug. 5	Aug. 11	Sept. 9	Sept. 20
	Aug. 4	Aug. 13	Aug. 19	Aug. 25	Sept. 23	Oct. 3

* New Steamer.

These Steamers call also at PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG and COLOMBO

FARES TO LONDON: 1st Saloon £50 Single; £75 Return. 2nd Saloon £35 Single; £52 Return.

FARES TO MARSEILLES: 1st Saloon £46 Single; 2nd Saloon £33 Single.

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy. THE ABOVE RATES ARE SUBJECT TO A SURTAX OF 10%.

For Further Particulars, apply to— E. A. HEWETT, SUPERINTENDENT.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, and MARSEILLES.....	KHIVA Capt. G. M. Montford, R.N.	10 A.M. 15th Apr.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	ASSAYE Capt. G. J. Caldwell	About 22nd Apr.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DELTA Capt. W. B. Le Mare, R.N.	1 Noon 25th Apr.	See General Advertisement.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA	NOVARA Capt. E. R. Hetherington, R.N.	About 2nd May.	Freight and Passage.

All the above Steamers are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy.

For Further Particulars apply to

R. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1914.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	SHAOHSING	On 14th Apr. Noon	
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	CHINHO	On 14th Apr. 4 P.M.	
HONGKONG and HAITUNG	KAIPONG	On 15th Apr. 10 A.M.	
WUHAIR and TIENTSIN	KUICHOW	On 16th Apr. 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	ANHUI	On 16th Apr. 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI and TSINGTAU	CHENAN	On 18th Apr. 4 P.M.	
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	TAMING	On 21st Apr. 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	LIANGHOU	On 21st Apr. 4 P.M.	

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, TWICE WEEKLY.

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The Steamers leaving Hongkong on Sundays proceed from Shanghai to TSINGTAU, leaving there on Tuesdays for Shanghai, Hongkong and Canton.

N.B.—Passengers must embark before Midnight on SATURDAY for the SUNDAY Morning sailings. A Co.'s launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every SATURDAY Night.

These Steamers Land Passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of the transshipment at Woosung.

REDUCED FARES—SINGLE \$45.....RETURN \$75.
For Freight or Passage apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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HIGHEST Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having Splendid Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"HAICHING"	Capt. W. G. Pannero	TUESDAY, 14th April, at 11 A.M.
"HAIYAN"	Capt. J. S. Bosch	FRIDAY, 17th April, at 11 A.M.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	TUESDAY, 21st April, at 11 A.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN

(Occupying 3 Days).

STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"HAIYUN"	Capt. J. Evans	THURSDAY, 16th April, at 11 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

For Freight and Passage, apply to—

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1914.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

MAIL SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA VIA MANILA.

MAIL SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

STEAMER	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
ALDENHAM	On 1st May, 10 A.M.	On 1st May, 10 A.M.
EMPIRE	2nd May.	On 29th May, 10 A.M.

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. A State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried. For further particulars apply to

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Hongkong, 6th April, 1914.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.



SAN FRANCISCO LINE.

VIA SHANGHAI, MANILA, THE INLAND SEA, JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Sailings from Hongkong—Subject to Change Without Notice.

Steamer	Displacement Tons and Speed	Leave Hongkong
* HONGKONG MARU	11,000 — 16 knots	SATURDAY, 25th April.
* SHINYO MARU	22,000 — 21 knots	from KOBE 11th May.
* CHIYO MARU	22,000 — 21 knots	TUES., 10th May.
* TENYO MARU	22,000 — 21 knots	TUES., 16th June.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000 — 13 knots	TUESDAY, 3rd June.

Passengers by this Steamer may travel per se "HONGKONG MARU."

* via MANILA: Omitting Shanghai.

All Steamers will be despatched at Noon.

FIRST CLASS TO LONDON	£71.10	RETURN (6 MONTHS) £120.
FIRST CLASS TO NEW YORK	£60	" " " £96.10.
" " " SAN FRANCISCO	£45	" " " £68.

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THENCE BY

TRANS-ANDAN ROUTE TO BUENOS AIRES.

Steamer	Displacement Tons and Speed	Leave Hongkong
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NAFLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, LISBON, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and BREMEN	"YORCK" Capt. F. Lohse	17,000	(Wednesday, 15th Apr., at 10 A.M.)
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"BUELOW" Capt. C. Nahrath	16,900	(About Thursday, 16th Apr.)
MANILA, ANGAUR, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. A. Hantz	6,000	(Saturday, 18th Apr., at 9 A.M.)
KOBE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. O. Jura	6,000	(About Tuesday, 23rd Apr.)
JESSELTON, KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. J. Kornblum	5,000	(Monday, 11th May, at 9 A.M.)

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"BORKUM"	11th May.	FOR MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM AND BREMEN/HAMBURG. S.S. "HELGOLAND" about Middle of June.
		FOR HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG/BREMER. S.S. "BORKUM" about End of June.

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TIJIMATI	—	—	JAVA	First half of April
TIJIMANOR	SHANGHAI	First half of April	JAVA	First half of April
TIJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of April	JAVA	Second half of April
TIJILWONG	JAVA	Second half of April	SHANGHAI	Second half of April
TIJITABOEM	JAVA	Second half of April	JAVA	First half of May
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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 13th to 19th April, 1914.

HIGH WATER					LOW WATER				
Days of Week	Days of Month	H'cong. Mean Time	Height		H'cong. Mean Time	Height			
Mon.	13	h. m. 10 25	ft. in. 7 2		h. m. 4 24	ft. in. 2 8			
Tues.	14	m 9 57	4 8		m 5 15	0 7			
Wed.	15	m 11 1	7 2		m 6 31	1 0			
	15	m 1 46	4 2		m 5 5	8 6			
	16	m 11 39	7 0		m 7 41	1 3			
Thurs.	16	m 3 50	3 9		m 5 18	3 9			
		0 29	6 6		9 8	1 6			
Fri.	17	No infer.	high		no low	water			
		1 41	0 35		10 34	1 6			
Satur.	18	No infer.	high		no low	water			
		3 43	6 0		11 34	1 6			
Sun.	19	m 8 0	4 6		m 10 42	4 5			
		5 15	5 9						

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 12th.

	Previous Day	On 12th	On 13th
Barometer	29.96	29.89	29.88
Temperature	74	70	77
Humidity	75	95	79
Wind Direction	Eas.	ESE	South
Force	4	3	5
Weather	b	o	cp
Rain	—	—	—

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Lowest open air Temperature on 11th... 68
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To-day, being a General Holiday, the Post Office will be open from 8 till 9 a.m.
There will be no delivery of ordinary letters and a collection of letters from the Pillar
Boxes.
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Chinese Registered Correspondence will not be delivered on a signature only. The
Chop of a firm of standing will in each case be required in addition. The Postmen have
instructions not to part with any registered article until the above regulation has been
complied with.

FOR	PER	DATE
Shanghai and North China	Kwonggang	Monday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
Saigon	Lyeemoon	Monday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
*Shanghai and *North China	Esang	Monday, 13th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Tuesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
*Shanghai and *North China	Shacheng	Tuesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Chinkua	Tuesday, 14th, 3.00 P.M.
Japan via Yokohama	Muttra	Tuesday, 14th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow via Takao & Anping	Soshu Maru	Wednesday, 15th, 8.00 A.M.
Hoihow, Haiphong and Peking	Kaifong	Wednesday, 15th, 8.00 A.M.
STRAITS, BURMA, Ceylon, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADE, EGYPT and EUROPE via NAPLES	York	Wednesday, 15th, 8.00 A.M.
Straits, and India via Calcutta	Aratton Appear	Thursday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
*Japan via *Moji, *Victoria and *Tacoma	Ching Maru	Thursday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
Sundakan	Hingang	Thursday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow	Haiman	Thursday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN via NAGASAKI, UNITED STATES, SOUTH AMERICA and CANADA via VANCOUVER (EUROPE via SIBERIA)	Empress of Asia	Thursday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
To make connection with the Daimyo steamer leaving Shanghai on Monday, the 20th inst., at 7 a.m.		
Shanghai and North China	Anhui	Thursday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.
*Wahaiwei and *Tientsin	Kweichow	Thursday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Railan	Friday, 17th, 10.00 A.M.
*Shanghai, *North China & *Japan via *Kobe	Torika	Friday, 17th, 11.00 A.M.
PHILIPPINE IS., YAP MARONN, FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN, FEN, RABAU, HERBERTS, HOHE MATUPL, SAMARAI, AUS- TRALIA, TASMANIA and NEW ZEALAND via BRISBANE	Prins Sigismund	Saturday, 18th, 8.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA and TSINGTAU (EUROPE via SIBERIA)	Chenan	Saturday, 18th, 5.00 P.M.
[To make connection with the Taiyuan train leaving Shanghai on Thursday, the 23rd inst., at 8 p.m.]		
Japan via Kobe	Suisang	Monday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Tuesday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
SAIGON, STRAITS, Ceylon, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADE, EGYPT and EUROPE via MARSEILLES (Late Letters to NOON, Extra postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)	Atlantique	Tuesday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Taming	Tuesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
*Shanghai and *North China	Liangchow	Tuesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, JAPAN via NAGA- SAKI, HONOLULU, *UNITED STATES and *SOUTH AMERICA, CANADA via *SAN FRANCISCO	Hongkong Maru	Tuesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
*Philippine Islands	Loongang	Monday, 20th, 11.00 A.M.
*Shanghai, *North China and *Japan via *Kobe	Laisang	Monday, 20th, 11.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand via Port Darwin	Taiyuan	Wednesday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.

* Specially superscribed correspondence only.

COMMERCIAL

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	April 9th
On LONDON:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	111 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	111 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	111 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	111 1/2
On PARIS:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	244 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	244 1/2
On GERMANY:—	
On demand	198 1/2
On NEW YORK:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	47 1/2
Credits, at 60 days' sight	48 1/2
On BOMBAY:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	144 1/2
Bank, on demand	145
On CALCUTTA:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	144 1/2
Bank, on demand	145
On SHANGHAI:—	
Bank, at sight	73 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	74 1/2
On YOKOHAMA:—	
On demand	95
On MANILA:—	
On demand	85 1/2
On SINGAPORE:—	
On demand	85 1/2
On BATAVIA:—	
On demand	117 1/2
On HAIPHONG:—	
On demand	3 1/2 p.m.
On SAIGON:—	
On demand	79 1/2
On HONGKONG:—	
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March 25th.	April 11th.	
March 26th.	April 12th.	

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 9th APRIL, 1914.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTA- TIONS CASE.	RETURN ON BASIS OF LAST DIV.
BANKS.—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125 all	\$1810, sellers	5 1/2 p.c.
China Borneo Company, Limited	50,000	\$12 all	\$11 1/2, buyers	8 1/2 p.c.
China Light and Power Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$5 all	\$4.10, sellers	7 1/2 p.c.
China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10 all	\$8 1/2, sellers	7 1/2 p.c.
COTTON MILLS.—				
Yew Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	30,000	Tls 50 all	Tls 13 1/2	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10 all	\$8 1/2, sellers	5 p.c.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2 all	\$37, buyers	5 p.c.
DOCKS AND WHARVES.—				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50 all	\$83	5 p.c.
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50 all	\$70, sellers	3 p.c.
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$64 all	Tls 57	7 1/2 p.c.
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	55,700	Tls 100 all	Tls 94	
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls 100 all	\$64, sellers	4 p.c.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	400,000	\$10 all	\$45, sellers	5 p.c.
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	60,000	\$10 all	\$125, sales	5 p.c.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	20,000	\$50 all	\$83, sellers	5 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Hotel Company Limited	15,000	Pa. 10 all	\$155, p. div. buy.	9 1/2 p.c.
Manila Metropolitan Hotel, Limited	5,000	\$25 all	\$23	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	60,000	\$10 all	\$2	
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$5 all	\$10	
H'kong & South China Steam Fishery Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10 all	\$10	
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.	325,000	5/- all	8/6, sellers	
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.				
INSURANCE.—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250 all	\$332	6 p.c.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100 all	\$20 1/2	6 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$250 all	\$358	7 1/2 p.c.
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$250 all	Tls 145, sales	6 1/2 p.c.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250 all	\$845, sellers	6 1/2 p.c.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	12,000	\$100 all	\$210, sales @	Ex 75
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.—				
H'kong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100 all	\$113, sellers	6 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd.	25,000	\$100 all	\$75, buyers	5 1/2 p.c.
Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10 all	\$3, sellers	7 p.c.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50 all	\$4	
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	78,000	Tls 50 all	Tls 89, buyers	5 1/2 p.c.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50 all	\$6	
Messerschmitt & Co. Ltd.	250,000	Gds 10 all	Tls 44, buyers	
Leadworks exploitants in Langkat				
MINE.—				
Chinese Engineering and M. Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	\$1 all	30/-, buyers	
Hawwood Tin and Rubber Estate, Ltd.	822,000	\$1 all	\$2 1/2	
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1 all	\$3.10, buyers	
Tromoh Mines, Limited	160,000	\$1 all	\$7 1/2, sellers	7 1/2 p.c.
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10 all	\$9 1/2, sellers	5 p.c.
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10 all	\$5	
Pulper et Papeteries du Tonkin Societe des	13,200	\$50 all	\$20, sellers	3 p.c.
RAFFINERIES.—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100 all	\$83	5 p.c.
London Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100 all	\$23, sellers	
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25 all	\$8, buyers	5 p.c.
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Easter Monday.
1 p.m.—Lushan Recreation Club Sports at the Race Course.

TO-MORROW

3 p.m.—Auction of Curles, & Co. at Sales
Room by Messrs. Hughes & Hough.
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Pokfulam
by Public Works Dept.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Wednesday, 15th April.—
Noon—The China-Borneo Co., Ltd., Meeting
of Shareholders.
Thursday, 16th April.—
9.15 p.m.—"Betsy," by F. C. Burnand at the
Theatre Royal.

Friday, 17th April.—
Noon—Union Insurance Society of Canton,
Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders.
12.15 p.m.—China Traders' Insurance Co.,
Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders.
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Monday, 20th April.—
11 a.m.—Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Wear-
ing & Dyeing Co., Ltd., Meeting of Share-
holders.
Tuesday, 21st April.—
11 a.m.—Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.,
Meeting of Shareholders.
Thursday, 23rd April.—
Noon—China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,
Extraordinary General Meeting.
Saturday, 25th April.—
12.30 p.m.—Hongkong Jockey Club Half-
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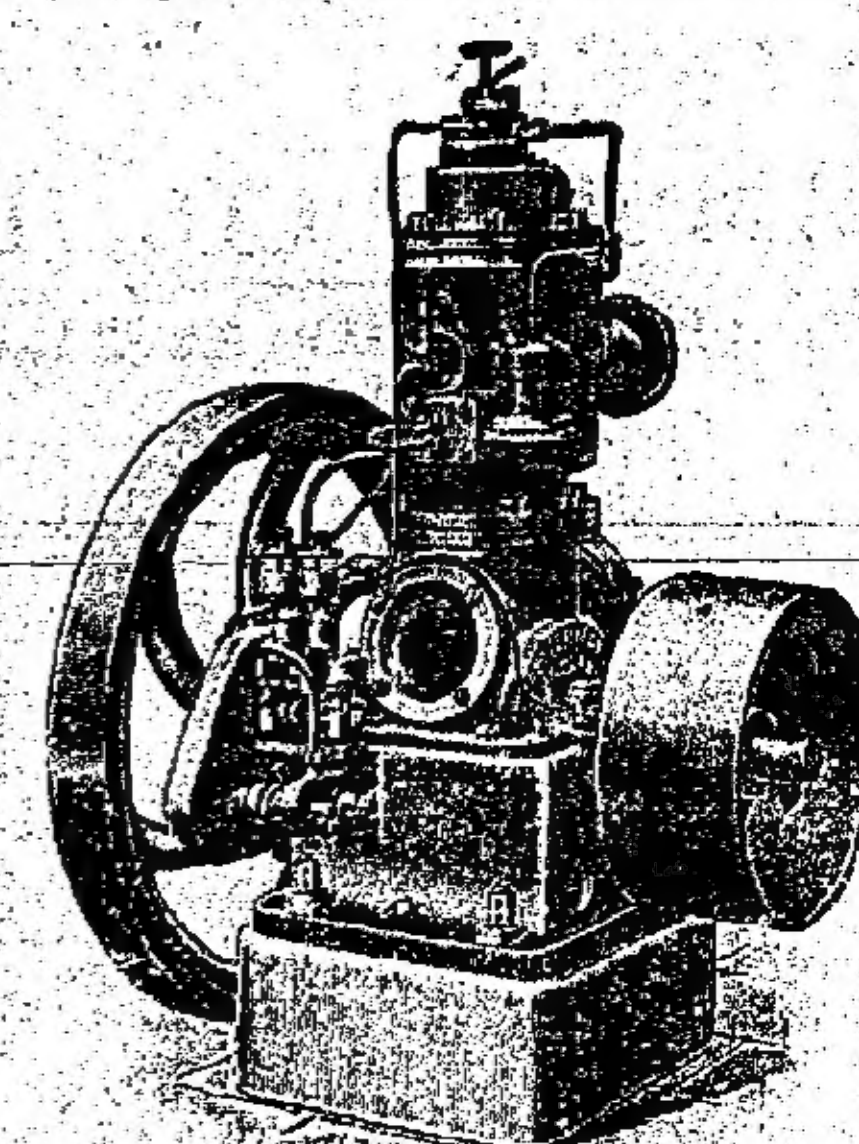
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